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SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR STRENGTHENING VERTEBRAL BODIES

the specification of which was filed on June 16, 2000, as Serial No. 09/594,685, and that this application claims subject matter disclosed in my earlier filed Application, Serial No. 09/425,480, filed October 22, 1999, and Canadian Applications Nos. 2,281,335, filed September 2, 1999 and 2,287,112 filed October 22, 1999.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Date Filed</u>
2,281,335	September 2, 1999
2,287,112	October 22, 1999

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Date Filed</u>
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States applications listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United

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